



**FOURTEENTH COURT OF APPEALS
JOB VACANCY NOTICE**

State Job Title: Attorney III- IV

Posting #: 14-15-04-AT

Closing Date: April 30, 2014
or when filled

Annual Salary Range: \$5,418 to \$6,250 per month

Location: Houston, Texas

GENERAL JOB DESCRIPTION:

The 14th Court of Appeals, Houston, Texas, is accepting applications for the position of staff attorney assigned to chambers. The position performs highly advanced attorney work with in-depth analysis and preparation of legal memoranda; interprets laws and regulations; provides legal advice and counsel. Works with direction from the justices with opportunity to use initiative and mature judgment.

ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS:

Conducts manual and computer assisted legal research; analyzes statutes, judicial decisions, and other legal sources. Prepares memoranda and proposed opinions in civil and criminal appeals. Performs research on special problems, and administrative matters. Applicants must have the ability to work independently. Participates in pre- and post-submission conferences. Performs related work as assigned.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

Must possess a license to practice law in the State of Texas; two (2) years as a practicing attorney; knowledge of legal principles in civil and criminal law; excellent legal research and writing skills; knowledge of Texas Rules of Appellate Procedure, Uniform System of Citation, and Texas Rules of Form. Ability to identify, analyze, and present issues, both orally and in writing. Proficient in computer research and word processing skills. Familiarity and working knowledge of Word 2010. Ability to prepare, plan, and organize work and to communicate clearly and effectively.

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS:

Previous appellate court experience as a law clerk or staff attorney. Four (4) or more years as a practicing attorney. Excellent writing skills; top 20% of graduating class.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES:

Applicant must submit (i) State Job Application form (see www.twc.state.tx.us/jobs/gvib/stateapp.doc or www.twc.state.tx.us/jobs/gvib/stateapp.pdf (instructions available on the websites); <http://www.twc.state.tx.us>); (ii) copies of law school transcripts,¹ (iii) a list of three references; and (iv) a five-page writing sample to:

Christopher A. Prine
Clerk of Court
Fourteenth Court of Appeals
301 Fannin, Room 245
Houston, Texas 77002.

In addition to the State Job Application, a resume may also be submitted. **Personal interviews will be conducted by invitation only.**

The Fourteenth Court of Appeals is an Equal Opportunity Employer and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, religion or disability in employment or in the provision of services. Minorities, veterans and persons with disabilities are encouraged to apply. Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, requests for reasonable accommodation needed during the application process should be communicated by the applicant to the Clerk of the Court.

¹For applicants with more than two (2) years experience as a practicing attorney, a resume may substitute for law school transcript in initial application.